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1. Two Czech nationals, Frederich Staus Lowy (Bedrich Lowi) and Alexander Staus Lowy, brothers, have recently arrived in La Paz from Czechoslovakia for the alleged purpose of arranging a contract for the purchase of tin. The proposed ultimate recipient of the tin, [redacted] is an unknown European firm which is allegedly a subagency of a Russian concern, and as such, will transship all tin purchased to the Soviet Union. Frederich Lowy is said to be planning a trip to Europe in July, at which time he is to report to his European firm.

2. The following information has been obtained concerning the Lowy brothers. Both brothers, and their wives, entered Bolivia on authorized Immigration Request Forms on 4 May 1948 for an "indefinite stay." According to their immigration statements, they were recommended and guaranteed by Carlos R. Grab and Zdenko Schey. Grab, a Swiss national, has been in the country since 1927, and [redacted] he enjoys a good reputation. Schey, who is a brother of Frederich's wife Renee Schey de Lowy, has been reported on various occasions to be a Communist sympathizer. He arrived in La Paz in 1938, and established a fruit produce business.

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3. The Lowy brothers both state that they have spent the last five years in a concentration camp, but have not furnished either the name or the location of the camp in which they were supposedly imprisoned. [redacted] it has been learned that the Lowys spent approximately six months on an extensive tour of Europe prior to their arrival in South America.

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